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Hen's Egg Test – Chorioallantoic Membrane (HET-CAM) Test Method

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# Current U.S. Regulatory Status of HET-CAM

 ICCVAM agencies were surveyed and, to the best of their knowledge, HET-CAM test method data have not been submitted to U.S. Regulatory Agencies

#### **Primary HET-CAM Data Sources**

| Study                          | Accuracy<br>(Severes/Total) |       |        | Intralab<br>(Severes/Total) |                  | Interlab<br>(Severes/Total) |                |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|--------|-----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Study                          | GHS                         | EPA   | EU     | CVs                         | GHS classific.   | CVs                         | GHS classific. |
| Gettings et al. (1991)         | 3/9                         | 3/9   | 2/9    |                             |                  |                             |                |
| CEC (1991)                     |                             |       | 11/32  |                             |                  | 14                          |                |
| Gettings et al. (1994)         | 1/18                        | 1/18  | 1/18   | •                           |                  |                             |                |
| Bagley et al. (1992)           | 0/3                         | 0/3   | 0/3    |                             |                  | = 1                         |                |
| Vinardell and Macian<br>(1994) | 0/2                         | 0/2   | 0/2    |                             |                  |                             |                |
| Balls et al. (1995) (Q)        | 15/45                       | 10/45 | 14/48  |                             |                  | 40                          | 15/29          |
| Balls et al. (1995) (S)        | 11/17                       | 6/12  | 11/19  | • .                         | Carlos Pillar II | 8                           | 11/5           |
| Kojima et al. (1995)           | 3/5                         | 3/5   | 3/5    | -                           |                  |                             |                |
| Gettings et al. (1996)         | 8/23                        | 10/25 | 6/25   |                             |                  |                             |                |
| Spielmann et al. (1996)        |                             |       | 45/118 |                             | 4.4              |                             |                |
| Hagino et al. (1999)           | 8/16                        | 6/14  | 7/17   |                             |                  | 8                           | 8/8            |

CV = coefficient of variation; classific. = classification

#### Other HET-CAM Reports Considered

- 39 other reports were identified that could not be used for an evaluation of accuracy or reliability due to the lack of:
  - comparative in vivo rabbit test data
  - quantitative in vitro data
- These reports discussed in Section 9
- To the extent possible, data requested from authors of studies considered most useful

# **HET-CAM Analysis Methods (1)**

- Irritation Score (A) (IS(A))
  - Irritation responses are evaluated at 0.5, 2, 5 minutes
  - Time-dependent score are assigned to each endpoint
  - IS(A) is calculated by adding assigned scores
- IS(B)
  - Time of first appearance of endpoint is noted after application of test substance
  - IS(B) is calculated using empirically derived formula
- Q-Score
  - Calculated as ratio of test substance irritation score to investigator determined reference standard irritation score

# **HET-CAM Analysis Method (2)**

#### S-Score

 Calculated as the highest total HET-CAM score for any endpoint evaluated

#### IS and ITC

- Two analysis methods used
- Irritation score calculated as IS(A) or IS(B)
- Threshold concentration defined as the lowest concentration required to produce a slight response after substance application

#### **HET-CAM Database**

- 246 different substances evaluated in 253 tests
- Distribution of substances among analysis methods
  - IS(A) = 64 substances (43 formulations, 21 chemicals)
  - IS(B) = 86 substances (52 formulations, 34 chemicals)
  - S-Score = 20 substances (all chemicals)
  - Q-Score = 49 substances (all chemicals)
  - IS and ITC = 118 substances (all chemicals or pharmaceutical intermediates)
- 20 Chemical classes tested\*
  - Most frequent classes: alcohols, carboxylic acids, amines, and formulations
- 15 Product classes tested\*
  - Most frequent classes: cosmetics, solvents, hair shampoos, soaps/surfactants

<sup>\*</sup> Classes with at least 3 entries

#### **Distribution of Tests Among Analysis Methods**

| Method     |    | Number of Testing Laboratories |    |    |    |   |    |  |  |  |
|------------|----|--------------------------------|----|----|----|---|----|--|--|--|
| Wethou     | 1  | 2                              | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6 | 7  |  |  |  |
| IS(A)      | 47 |                                |    |    | 13 | 4 |    |  |  |  |
| IS(B)      | 54 |                                | 13 | 7  | -  | 4 | 14 |  |  |  |
| S-Score    | 2  | 7                              | 6  | 5  |    |   |    |  |  |  |
| Q-Score    | 2  | 6                              | 1  | 40 |    |   |    |  |  |  |
| IS and ITC |    | 118                            |    |    |    |   |    |  |  |  |

# **Major HET-CAM Protocol Variations**

| Study                          |     | # Eggs |     | Inc. Temp/ |                    | Rinsing          | Endpoints          | Method of           |
|--------------------------------|-----|--------|-----|------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Study                          | Neg | Treat  | Pos | Humidity   | Tested             | Killsilig        | Evaluated**        | Analysis            |
| Gettings et al. (1991)         |     |        |     | 3          |                    |                  | H, VL, C           | IS(B)               |
| CEC (1991)                     |     | 6      |     | 37.5/62.5% | 0.3 mL or<br>0.1 g | 20 secs<br>after | H, L, C            | IS(B)               |
| Gettings et al. (1994)         |     | 3      |     | 38/60%     | 0.3 mL             |                  | H, L, C            | IS(A)<br>IS(B)      |
| Gettings et al. (1996)         |     | 3      |     | 38/60%     | 0.1 mL 0.3<br>mL   |                  | D, H, C<br>H, L, C | IS(A)<br>IS(B)      |
| Bagley et al. (1992)           | 2   | 4      |     | 37.5/62.5% | 0.3 mL or 0.1 g    | 20 secs<br>after | нү, н, с           | IS(A)               |
| Vinardell and<br>Macian (1994) | 2   | 6      | 2   |            | 0.3 mL             |                  | H, V, C            | IS(B)               |
| Balls et al. (1995)            |     |        |     |            |                    | 3 mins after*    | H, L, C            | S-Score,<br>Q-Score |
| Kojima et al. (1995)           |     | 4      |     | 37.6/~70%  | 0.2 mL             | 20 secs<br>after | HY, H, C           | IS(A)               |
| Hagino et al. (1999)           |     | 4      |     | 37.6/~70%  | 0.2 mL or 0.2 g    | 20 secs<br>after | HY, H, C           | IS(A)               |
| Spielmann et al.<br>(1996)     |     | 3      |     |            |                    | 5 mins after*    | H, L, C            | IS & ITC            |

<sup>\*</sup> For non-transparent substances only

<sup>\*\*</sup> H = hemorrhage, VL = vascular lysis, C = coagulation, HY = hyperemia, L = lysis, D = dilation, V = vasoconstriction



#### **Accuracy Analysis**

- Ability to correctly identify ocular corrosives and severe irritants determined for
  - GHS classification system (Category 1)
  - EPA classification system (Category I)
  - EU classification system (R41)
- Accuracy statistics calculated:
  - for each HET-CAM test method protocol, by report and where appropriate
    - classifications were pooled into one classification per substance (i.e., majority call among studies used)
    - using individual studies, where a balanced design existed (multiple substances in multiple labs)

#### **Analysis Method Accuracy - GHS**

| Analysis<br>Method | Accuracy | Sensitivity | Specificity | False<br>Positive<br>Rate | False<br>Negative<br>Rate |
|--------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| IS(A)              | 75%      | 67%         | 79%         | 21%                       | 33%                       |
|                    | (46/61)  | (12/18)     | (34/43)     | (9/43)                    | (6/18)                    |
| IS(B)              | 85%      | 100%        | 80%         | 20%                       | 0%                        |
|                    | (44/52)  | (12/12)     | (32/40)     | (8/40)                    | (0/12)                    |
| Q-Score            | 62%      | 100%        | 43%         | 57%                       | 0%                        |
|                    | (28/45)  | (15/15)     | (13/30)     | (17/30)                   | (0/15)                    |
| S-Score            | 47%      | 36%         | 67%         | 33%                       | 64%                       |
|                    | (8/17)   | (4/11)      | (4/6)       | (2/6)                     | (7/11)                    |

#### **Recommended HET-CAM Version Accuracy**

| Statistic              | GHS (n=52)   | EPA (n=54)  | EU (n=86)*  |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Accuracy               | 85% (44/52)  | 83% (45/54) | 73% (63/86) |
| Sensitivity            | 100% (12/12) | 93% (13/14) | 95% (19/20) |
| Specificity            | 80% (32/40)  | 80% (32/40) | 67% (44/66) |
| False<br>Positive Rate | 20% (8/40)   | 20% (8/40)  | 33% (22/66) |
| False<br>Negative Rate | 0% (0/12)    | 7% (1/14)   | 5% (1/20)   |

<sup>\*</sup> Additional 32 chemicals available for EU analysis only (individual animal data not available for GHS or EPA classification)

#### **HET-CAM GHS Accuracy By Chemical/Physical Class**

| # of Substa                    |       |       | ances             |    | Positive<br>ate | False Negative<br>Rate |      |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------|----|-----------------|------------------------|------|
| Class                          | Total | Cat 1 | Cat 2A,<br>2B, NI | %  | n               | %                      | п    |
| Overall                        | 52    | 12    | 40                | 20 | 8/40            | 0                      | 0/12 |
| Formulation                    | 50    | 12    | 38                | 18 | 7/38            | 0                      | 0/12 |
| - Hydroalcoholic formulation   | 9     | 3     | 6                 | 33 | 2/6             | 0                      | 0/3  |
| - Oil/Water emulsion           | 18    | 1     | 17                | 24 | 4/17            | 0                      | 0/1  |
| - Surfactant-based formulation | 23    | 8     | 15                | 7  | 1/15            | 0                      | 0/8  |
| Surfactant                     | 2     | 0     | 2                 | 50 | 1/2             |                        |      |
| Liquids                        | 52    | 12    | 40                | 20 | 8/40            | 0                      | 0/12 |

#### Additional HET-CAM Accuracy Analyses (EU)

| Statistic           | EU<br>(n=86) | Spielmann et al.<br>(1996) - IS10<br>(n=112) | Spielmann et al.<br>(1996) - IS100<br>(n=108) |
|---------------------|--------------|--|---|
| Accuracy            | 73% (63/86)  | 68% (76/112)                                 | 57% (62/108)                                  |
| Sensitivity         | 95% (19/20)  | 80% (32/40)                                  | 88% (35/40)                                   |
| Specificity         | 67% (44/66)  | 61% (44/72)                                  | 40% (27/68)                                   |
| False Positive Rate | 33% (22/66)  | 39% (28/72)                                  | 60% (41/68)                                   |
| False Negative Rate | 5% (1/20)    | 20% (8/40)                                   | 12% (5/40)                                    |

# Limitations of HET-CAM IS(B) Accuracy

- Impact of differences in test method protocols between studies is unknown; limits conclusions
- Most substances evaluated using IS(B) analysis method were:
  - Nonsevere substances
  - Formulations
  - Tested as solutions or liquids
- Limited information on analysis method ability to accurately identify a variety of chemical classes, product classes, and physicochemical properties (i.e., solids)

## **HET-CAM IS(B) Reliability Analysis**

- Intralaboratory Repeatability and Reproducibility
  - Not conducted due to the lack of published intralaboratory
     HET-CAM data
- Interlaboratory Reproducibility
  - Qualitative analysis: Extent of agreement between testing
     laboratories when identifying corrosives and severe irritants
  - Quantitative analysis: Coefficient of variation (CV)

# **HET-CAM IS(B) Agreement Among Laboratories**

| % Interlaboratory | EU (3-5 labs, 32 substances) |       |  |  |
|-------------------|------------------------------|-------|--|--|
| Agreement         | %                            | n     |  |  |
| 100% (all)        | 47                           | 15/32 |  |  |
| ≥60% (all)        | 91                           | 29/32 |  |  |
| 100% (severes)    | 70                           | 7/10  |  |  |
| ≥60%(severes)     | 100                          | 10/10 |  |  |

#### **HET-CAM IS(B) Interlaboratory %CV Values**

| Coefficient of Variation<br>Analysis | CEC (1991)         |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Mean                                 | 34.1               |
| (all substances)                     | (n=14)             |
| Median                               | 33.1               |
| (all substances)                     | (n=14)             |
| Range<br>(all substances)            | 6.6-74.9<br>(n=14) |

<sup>\*</sup>n = number of substances
Interlaboratory %CV values based on results from five laboratories
CV = Standard deviation/mean

## Limitations of IS(B) Reliability

- Intralaboratory reliability unknown due to lack of published data
- Interlaboratory reproducibility based on a small number of substances (n=14)

#### **Draft HET-CAM BRD Proposals**

- A proposed version of HET-CAM, which evaluates development of hemorrhage, lysis, and coagulation of vessels on CAM
- A proposed standardized protocol
  - Proposed test method protocol follows the method provided by ZEBET with IS(B) analysis method
  - Decision criteria previously described by Kalweit et al. (1987)
  - Proposed test method protocol requires the use of positive and negative controls
- Proposed additional optimization studies, including:
  - Retrospective analysis of decision criteria used to identify corrosives and severe irritants
  - Evaluation of additional endpoints (e.g., trypan blue absorption) for potential inclusion in the calculation of irritancy potential
- Once optimized, additional validation studies to further characterize accuracy and reliability of the optimized test method version